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OPEN DRAIN INPUT/OUTPUT STRUCTURE AND MANUFACTURING

METHOD THEREOF IN SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Responsive to the Office Action, dated July 15, 2002, please amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

5. (Thrice Amended) A pull-up transistor disposed between a Vdd terminal and an I/O pad of a semiconductor device comprising:

a semiconductor substrate of a first conductivity type;

a source region and a drain region of a second conductivity type formed in the substrate and defining between them a channel region, one of the source region and the drain region being electrically coupled to the I/O pad, the other one of the source region and the drain region being electrically coupled to the Vdd terminal;

an impurity implantation region of impurities of a second conductivity type formed in a first sector of the channel region, the first sector not reaching either one of the source region and the drain region;

the impurity implantation region of the first sector comprising a surface region of the second conductivity type as a depletion channel;

a second sector of the channel region exclusive of the first sector comprising a uniform doping concentration of the first conductivity type and a surface region of the first conductivity type as an enhancement channel;

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